

Year 4

God loves us in our differences



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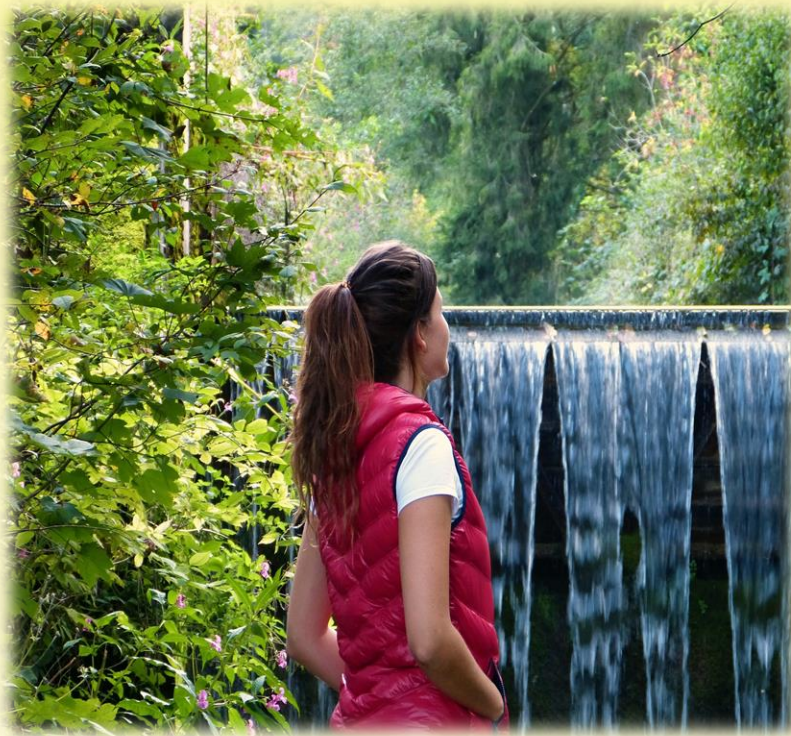
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CONTINUE

Aim

To make links and connections to show that we are all different.
To celebrate these differences as we appreciate that God's love accepts us as we are now and as we change.



God

cultural

bullying

gifts

biological

polite

talents

respect

uniqueness

difference

courtesy

innate

development

manners

beauty

change

sensitivity

dignity

stereotype

religious

acceptance

belief

KEY WORDS





Skills

Respecting

Encouraging

Recognising

Appreciating

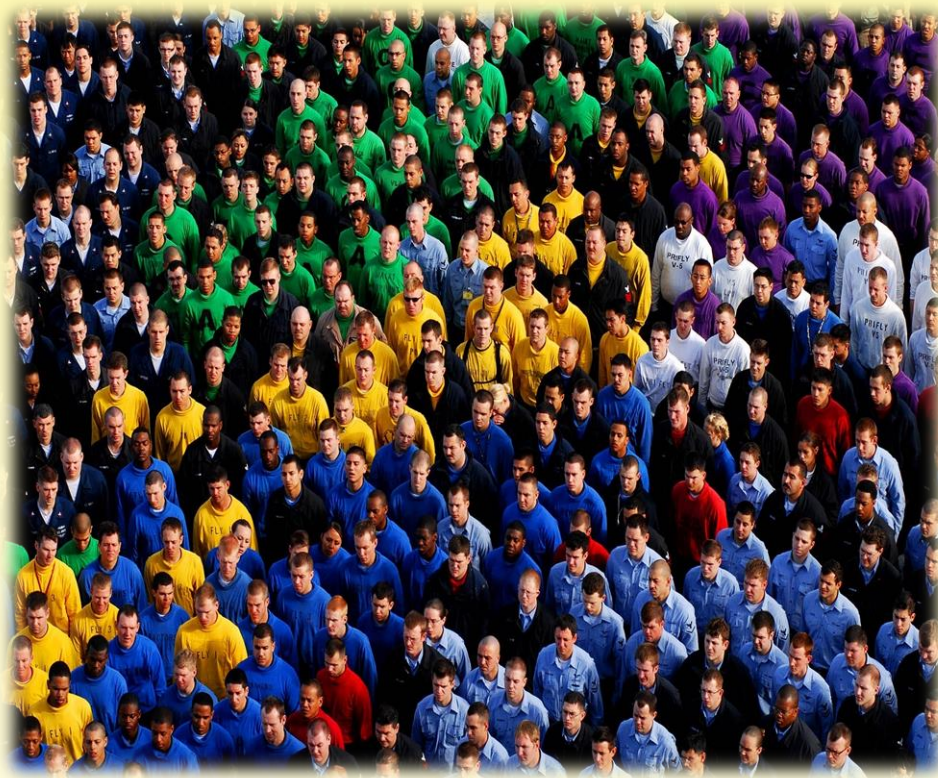
Celebrating

Relating

Social and Emotional

Learning intention

To describe how we all should be accepted and respected.



Questions

- Is there more to courtesy and manners than saying 'please' and 'thank you'?
- In what ways is being polite and courteous helping to make a better world to live in?
- How would you ensure that you have a part to play in keeping yourself and others in your family and community safe?
- How do authority figures help communities and societies work together better?
- How should we include everyone and celebrate each others' differences in school, home and in communities?



Pause and reflect

God,
Grant me the serenity to
accept the things
I cannot change,
courage to change the
things I can
and wisdom to know the
difference.

Amen



*Each of us can make
a difference,
and all of us ought to try.*

Barack Obama





Life is the most beautiful gift of God.

St Teresa of Calcutta



*Life is a journey, not a destination.
A worthy life is a journey of adventure,
discovery and service to others.*

Dr Paul TP Wong

Physical

Learning Intention

To describe how we should treat others making links with the diverse modern society we live in.



Questions

- How do we respect others, even when they are different from ourselves: physically, ethnically, culturally or in religious beliefs?
- How might these differences change over time as we grow?
- In what ways can we expect to be treated with respect by others and in turn show them the same respect?
- How can we challenge the stereotypes that encourage bullying of all kinds?
- How can we recognise the innate dignity of every person and ask God to help us see it?



Questions (continued)

- How could daring a friend to do something you would not like to do challenge the golden rule 'treat others as you would like them to treat you'?
- Is it the right thing to pressurise someone into doing something they would not be comfortable doing? E.g. keeping a secret that is not right to keep.
- How can we recognise the innate dignity of every person and ask God to help us to see it?



Pause and reflect

Loving Father,
We thank you for the
wonder and gift of each
person made in your image
and likeness.
Help us to be courageous in
loving all despite our
uniqueness and difference.

Amen





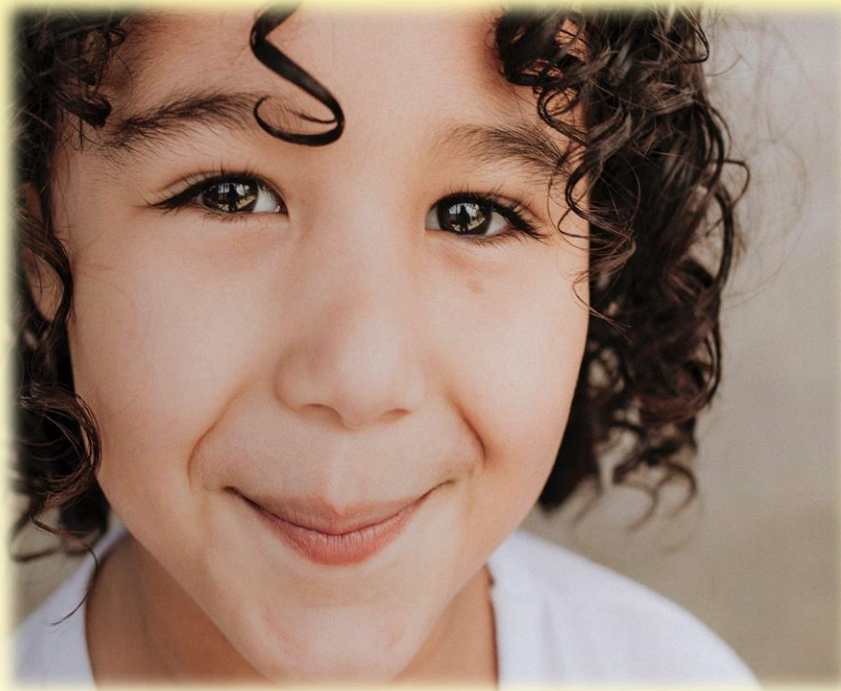
*If you want to change the world,
go home and love, your family.*

St Teresa of Calcutta

Spiritual

Learning intention

To celebrate the uniqueness and innate beauty of each of us.



Questions

- What makes you unique?
- What are your special qualities, gifts, and talents?
- What attributes do others recognise in you?
- Why are being honest, truthful and having integrity positive attributes?
- How can your gifts be used for the common good?
- What is it that we can do for each other to support each other's mental health and wellbeing, recognising the importance of expressing feelings.



Pause and reflect

Lord God,
I give you all the members of our family.
You know them all so well and love them all.
I ask that you would cover us with a rainbow of
hope.
Hope that draws us together to work out our
differences.
Hope that helps us to celebrate together and care
for one another.
Hope that rides like a banner in our lives and
watches over us wherever we go.
Hope that overcomes adversity and gathers
strength to overcome.
Hope that guides us and gives us vision for our
future alone and together.
Hope filled with love.
Hope that breathes peace.
Amen



*No family drops down from heaven;
perfectly formed.*

*Families need constantly to grow
and mature in the ability to love*

Pope Francis

